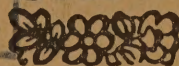


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DAHLIAS

This month we are printing a comprehensive list of all the best varieties in these popular flowers. The decorative types have been so much improved that they have caught the popular fancy, but we still include a number of cactus varieties, which should not be neglected because they have an appeal peculiar to themselves and they have also been much improved. Dahlias can be grown anywhere if good, rich garden loam and a good water supply are available, and they amply repay any attention that can be given them. Dry tubers are offered now and green plants will be available about November or December, while in January we expect to have, as usual, a fine lot of imported tubers.

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SEASONAL NOTES

By H. CHAS. STARKE, F.R.H.S.

During July most of the hardier Vegetables may still be sown, but you will now begin to give attention to the preparation of the ground for spring sowing, and unless you are somewhat behindhand with your work you will not be putting in very much seed except, perhaps, to provide a succession of varieties that have already been sown. In most kinds the earlier sowing will prosper far beyond what can be expected from mid-winter sowings, but the situation and the condition of the soil are factors which have a direct bearing on this, and the gardener's experience also counts for a great deal. Thus it may be said that you get better results than your neighbour, or it may be that you get worse, although you may be working on similar lines.

As a general guide for sowing in July we give the following list: Peas, Broad Beans, Beet, Carrots, Onions, Parsnips, Radishes, Swedes, Turnips, Leek, Cabbage, Kale, Knol-Kool, Celery, Herbs (various), Lettuce, Chervil, Cress, Parsley, Spinach. The hardiest varieties should be selected in every case and it may be taken as a fairly general rule that the varieties described as "late" are harder than varieties described as "early."

In connection with winter garden work it is most important to look well to the drainage. If the ground is low-lying the excess moisture must be carried off or the crops will not thrive. A water-logged condition of the soil is detrimental to almost every kind of garden crop and to many it is fatal. Deep-working, levelling, fertilising and the provision of furrows or under-ground drains are all matters that will help to improve this undesirable condition and each of these should be studied to find whether it will help in your particular case.

In farm work similar conditions apply and most of the sowing of cereal crops will have been completed but preparations can well be made for the sowing of early spring crops. The work should be planned and the land prepared as far as possible so that no time may be lost when the weather improves and it is felt that sowing can begin of such crops as are liable to injury from frost.

So far we have written mainly with Western Province conditions in mind. Here frosts are light and infrequent but the cold and wet prevents the growth of the more tender crops such as Mealies, Millets and all the melon tribe.

In the Karroo area matters are very different and anything that is sown in winter must be protected unless it is of a very hardy nature. For the vegetable garden you will, no doubt, find it profitable to provide facilities for raising plants, even in the coldest weather. An inexpensive frame with glass top is all that is necessary and if it is portable it can be used in various ways in different situations; for instance, there are great possibilities with a hot-bed formed by digging a pit and filling it with fresh manure which is then covered with soil and the frame placed over it. The fermentation of the manure will provide bottom heat for forcing many crops of the vegetable garden. Vegetable plants of various kinds, even the tenderest, can be raised in this way if the hot-bed is well-managed so as to have a temperature suited to the crop that is being raised. Many weeks can be saved in this way and crops can thus be raised earlier than would otherwise be possible. The following vegetables may be sown in July if you can provide suitable conditions for them in the manner we have described or in some other way: Broad Beans, Peas, Beet, Carrot, Radish, Cabbage, Lettuce, Spinach, Celery and Parsley.

In the Low Veld of the Transvaal and similar sub-tropical areas, on the other hand, it is possible to sow this month many additional crops which will not stand the cold that prevails elsewhere and thus, in such areas, it should be possible to sow most crops of the vegetable garden.

FERTILIZERS.

During the cold winter weather fertilisers that provide nitrogen can be more freely used, with beneficial results. For quick results Nitrate of Soda will be found very useful and should be applied to growing crops just before a rain or it may be spread on the surface and watered in with the hose. For crops that are being freshly planted better results can be had by the use of the Ground Karroo Manure which is dug in at planting time or a little ahead of that operation. This provides humus as well as nitrogen and is a very valuable fertiliser. In America big drying plants are being erected for drying sheep manure for this purpose, but we have the same thing here dried naturally by the sun and supplied at a very cheap price. Do we realise its value? For general purposes in the garden you can not do better than use our "**Kudu**" **General Garden Fertiliser** which supplies all the elements of plant food that are required by crops. We supply these fertilisers as well as other kinds including special mixtures for any crop and we shall be glad to advise you as to which is the best to use if you will send us particulars of the purpose for which the fertiliser is required.

SEED POTATOES.

We are now offering **South African** grown seed of the varieties listed below. These have been sorted and subjected to favourable conditions so as to induce the development of robust growth. They are ready for immediate planting. A.

Cases are of one-bushel size, weight approximately 66 lbs. net.

Arran Chief , first crop from imported	...	...	...	...	10/6 per case
Flourball , first crop from imported	...	...	...	...	12/6 per case
King George , second crop from imported	...	...	...	...	10/6 per case
Ragis Zehn , first crop from imported	...	...	...	...	12/6 per case
Up-To-Date , second crop from imported	...	...	...	...	8/6 per case

All the above are offered subject to being unsold and 5 per cent. can be deducted if Cash is sent with Order.

STRAWBERRIES.

Well-rooted plants of the following varieties are now ready for delivery. Send your orders early to make sure of a supply.

Strawberries.	Posted (Within the Union)			Local Prices		
	Per doz.	100	1000	Per doz.	100	1000
Batchelor's Favourite (Export Strain).—The only variety that has been successfully exported to London. Our plants are grown specially for us by the successful exporter	2/-	8/6	63/-	1/6	7/6	60/-
Laxton's Noble .—Large firm fruit, light crimson-scarlet, rich vinous flavour	1/6	5/-	33/-	1/-	4/-	30/-
Stellenbosch or Sauvi's Perpetual .—A strong grower producing shapely berries of good flavour	1/9	6/-	43/-	1/3	5/-	40/-

LOGANBERRIES.

There is nothing to equal Loganberries for tarts and fruit pies and they make excellent jam too. If well treated they give an excellent return, but they must not be neglected or they are worse than useless. The treatment, however, is very simple. Dig deeply and manure well before planting and place them against a fence or similar structure to which they can be tied. The fruit is produced on the laterals that are thrown out from last year's growth and therefore it is imperative that they should be regularly pruned. Cut away all the older growth, leaving only those long, strong shoots that were thrown up from the base last season and tie them in place. These shoots will produce a liberal crop and a fresh batch of shoots will be thrown up for next season. Nothing could be simpler, try them this way and you will not be disappointed/

Price: 1/- each, 9/- per dozen, 60/- per 100.

Postage and Packing: 3d. each, 1/- per dozen, 2/6 per 100.

BLACKBERRIES.

Burbank's Californian Giant.—A fine new variety, very large-fruited and a prolific bearer.

Price: 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Postage and Packing: 3d. each, 1/- per dozen.

JERUSALEM ARTICHOKEs.

This is a very useful crop, and it is easily grown because it will thrive in most soils. Its principal requirement is a sufficiency of moisture during its growing period, which is from September onwards. The tubers can be used as soon as the foliage begins to die back and until July or August when they are preparing to make new growth. They are best left in the soil until required, as they do not keep well in storage. Tubers: Per lb. 6d.; 5 lbs 1/9; 25 lbs 6/-; 100 lbs 20/-. They can be sent by post in parcels of 10 lbs for 1/- extra per parcel. E.

ASPARAGUS.

This delicious garden vegetable is worth the extra trouble necessary to grow it to perfection. It requires a rich garden loam, well manured. The beds should be well prepared to a good depth so that the plants may be left undisturbed for several years. Year-old plants: 2/- per dozen; 12/6 per 100—Posted 3/- and 15/- respectively.

VEGETABLE TRANSPLANTS.

We give below a list of plants that we expect to have ready during this month. Some of these are now ready, but others will not be ready till about the middle of the month or later. All orders are dealt with in rotation and will be despatched when the plants are ready. If you are unable to wait, please mark your order accordingly and we will send only what is ready, cancelling the remaining portion of the order. F.

Local Prices: 1/3 per 100; 10/6 per 1000.

Posted (within the Union): 2/- per 100; 14/6 per 1000.

Beet, Blood Red
Beet, Flat Egyptian
Brussels Sprouts
Cabbage, Cape Spitzkool
Cabbage, Copenhagen Market
Cabbage, Early Drumhead
Cabbage, Early Jersey Wakefield
Cabbage, Golden Acre
Cabbage, Large Oxheart
Cabbage, Starke's Improved Spitzkool

Cauliflower, Early Italian Giant
Cauliflower, Southern Cross
Cauliflower, Super Snowball
Kale, Tall Curled
Kohi Rabi, Early White Vienna
Lettuce, Curled Neapolitan
Lettuce, New York
Spinach Beet, Green Cutting
Spinach Beet, Yellow Cutting

Local Prices: 1/- per 100; 6/6 per 1000.

Posted (within the Union): 1/6 per 100; 10/6 per 1000.

Leek, Large Flag
Onion, Cape Straw Coloured

Onion, Early Flat Yellow Cape
Onion, White Queen Early

Cape Gooseberry.—9d. per doz., posted 1/3.

Lavender, Mint, Sage, Thyme, Rosemary.—3/- per doz., posted 3/6.

SPRAYING.

In winter, when your fruit trees are free of leaves and in a thoroughly dormant condition you have the very best opportunity of ridding them of all diseases, especially those of a fungous nature and scale. Use a good winter wash such as "Capex", Sulphur-Lime Solution or Multiple Winter Wash and see that the trees are thoroughly sprayed. The Sulphur-Lime solution will kill scale if used in the maximum strength recommended in the directions but if a special scale spray is desired you may use either Volck or Harbas. For scale, however, the main point is to spray a second time after 14 days so as to catch any that have escaped the first spraying. Just as the buds begin to swell you should look over all peach and similar trees for the black peach aphid and give a first spraying for this pest with McDougall's No. 2 Fruit Tree Wash or other similar spray containing nicotine. A second spraying should follow a week later, and this weekly spraying must be continued if necessary. You must beat this pest or it will ruin your trees! It can be beaten, but persistent effort is necessary. The main point is to begin early, before there are many leaves to shelter the pest.

PRUNING.

This operation must be completed during July or soon after, otherwise the sap will be rising and bleeding may occur. Our Nursery Department (Ayres Nurseries, Phone 6-3278) sends men out to do this work at very moderate charges. If you are unable to do it yourself they will be able to help you.

THE FLOWER GARDEN.

July is a difficult month for seed sowing and most plants of the Flower Garden would preferably be planted out from earlier sowings. The following may be sown, however, where conditions are favourable. In cold areas they should be sown under shelter while in very cold areas it would be better to defer sowing until next month: Aquilegia, Bellis Perennis, Calendula, Calliopsis, Campanula, Candytuft, Cannas, Carnations, Chrysanthemum, Coreopsis, Cornflower, Dianthus, Eschscholtzia, Felicia, Foxglove, Gaillardia, Geum, Gilia, Godetia, Gypsophila, Helenium, Hunnemannia, Iris, Larkspur, Lavandula, Leptosyne, Linaria, Lobelia, Lupinus, Marigold, Mignonette, Myosotis, Nasturtium, Nemophila, Pentstemon, Petunia, Phlox, Pinks, Poppy, Primrose, Salpiglossis, Salvia, Scabious, Schizanthus, Shasta Daisy, Statice, Sutherlandia, Sweet Peas, Sweet Sultan, Sweet William, Tropaeolum, Valeriana, Verbena, Violet, Virginian Stocks, Wallflower.

All these can be had at 6d. per packet, postage paid to any address in South Africa (5/- per dozen for Cash with Order).

BEDDING AND BORDER PLANTS.

We give below a list of plants that we expect to have ready during the month. Some of these are now ready but others will not be ready till about the middle of the month or later. All orders are dealt with in rotation and will be despatched when the plants are ready. If you are unable to wait, please mark your order accordingly and we will send only what is ready, cancelling the remaining portion of the order. F.

	Posted (Within the Union)		Local Prices	
	Per doz.	100	doz.	100
ANTIRRHINUMS—LEEUEBKIES.				
Bonfire.—Bright cinnabar red, yellow blotch ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Orange Beauty.—Orange-scarlet with gold lip ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6

ANTIRRHINUM MAXIMUM—GIANT STRAIN.				
Copper King.—Nopal red ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Maralda.—Coppery carmine ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Old Gold.—Orange with old rose throat ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Rose.—Pure rose ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Ruby.—Carmine ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6
Wallflower.—Rich deep coppery crimson ...	1/9	8/6	1/6	7/6

LARKSPUR—RIDDESSPOOR.				
Daintiness.—Delicate lavender ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Exquisite Rose ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Los Angeles.—Rich salmon overlaid with rose ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Lilac Spire.—Parma violet ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Rosy Scarlet.—Tall, lovely colour ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Tall Branching Blue.—Splendid type and fine colour ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-

PANSIES—GESIGGIES.				
Giant Golden Queen.—Large deep yellow with black eye ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Large Flowering Mixed.—A fine assortment of colour ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Masterpiece Mixed.—Beautifully blotched and curled ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Parisian Large Stained.—Mixed, very fine ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Roggli Giant.—Very large, varied colouring ...	2/6	12/-	2/-	10/-

STOCKS—VIOLETTE.				
Abundance.—Carmine-rose, very large ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Beauty of Nice.—Flesh-pink, early flowering ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Cote d'Azur.—Blue of Capri ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Crimson King (Etincelante).—Bright crimson ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Empress Elizabeth.—Beautiful bright rose ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Queen Alexandra.—Pretty rose lilac ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Rose of Nice.—Old rose, very early ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Souvenir of Monaco.—Brilliant crimson, very early ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Souvenir of Monte Carlo.—Canary yellow ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Violet of Parma.—Strong grower, free flowering, light violet ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
German Ten-Week Mixed.—A choice strain ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
" Nice " Stocks Mixed.—Including the best colours ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-

CALENDULAS.				
Campfire.—Large flat blooms on stout stems ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Orange Shaggy.—New. A distinct break in Calendulas, rich orange blooms of "shaggy" appearance on long stems ...	2/6	12/-	2/-	10/-
Radio.—Orange with quilled petals ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Sulphur Crown (Lemon Queen).—Golden yellow with dark centre ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-

GENERAL LIST OF BEDDING PLANTS.				
Antirrhinum majus.—Tall varieties in mixture ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Iceland Poppy, Art Strain.—Charming colours ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Iceland Poppy, El Monte.—Deep tangerine ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Iceland Poppy, Sandford's Aurora.—Giant strain, long stems ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Iceland Poppy, Sunbeam Mixed.—An improved strain ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Leptosyne maritima.—Large yellow ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Lobelia, Crystal Palace.—Dark blue ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Marigold, Prince of Orange.—Immense flowers, long stout stems ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Marigold, Lemon Queen.—Greatly improved ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Nemesia, Blue Gem.—Beautiful forget-me-not blue ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Nemesia, Fire King.—Scarlet ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Nemesia, Mixed.—Fine colours ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-

GENERAL LIST OF BEDDING PLANTS (Continued.)

	Posted (Within the Union)		Local Prices	
	Per doz.	100	doz.	100
Phlox Drummondii.—Large-flowered strain ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Statice sinuata.—Blue, rose and yellow ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Viola, Blue Perfection.—A charming shade ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Viola, Purple Queen.—Rich violet ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-
Viola (Lutea splendens).—Golden ...	1/3	6/-	1/-	5/-

GENERAL LIST OF HERBACEOUS PLANTS.

Agapanthus.—Blue and white varieties ...	7/6	—	6/-	40/-
Agapanthus, Table Mountain Variety.—Dark blue ...	4/6	—	4/-	25/-
Alternanthera.—Edging plant ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Aquilegia.—Blackmore & Langdon's long-spurred hybrids ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Arctotis Mixed.—Wonderful colours ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Barborton Daisy Hybrids (1/- each, posted) ...	5/-	30/-	4/6	27/6
Campanula fragilis ...	6/6	—	5/-	—
Canterbury Bells.—Mixed seedlings ...	2/-	10/-	1/6	7/6
Carnation, Chabaud Giant.—A mixture of the best colours ...	4/-	25/-	3/-	18/6
Carnations, Enfant de Nice.—The earliest giant-flowering carnation ...	5/-	30/-	4/6	27/6
Carnations, Giant of Nice.—Salmon ...	5/-	30/-	4/6	27/6
Carnation, Margaret Malmaison Yellow ...	4/6	27/6	3/6	21/-
Carnations, Starke's Perpetual Giant.—In separate colours: Crimson, Red, Rose and Yellow—or Mixed ...	5/-	30/-	4/6	27/6
Carnation, Starke's Special Giant Chabaud.—In the following varieties: Legion of Honour (brick red), Pearl (lilac pink), Pink Beauty (hermosa pink), Scarlet (Firefly), Yellow (Marie Chabaud), Yellow Ground Varieties (Mad. Chabaud) or in Mixture, all at ...	5/-	30/-	4/6	27/6
Cheiranthus kewensis.—Winter flowering wallflower ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Cynoglossum amabile.—Beautiful rich blue ...	2/-	10/-	1/6	7/6
Delphinium belladonna.—Best for cut-flower ...	Seedlings	3/6	—	3/-
Delphinium, Blue Butterfly ...	Large Crowns	4/6	—	4/-
Delphinium, Clivedon Beauty.—Improved Belladonna ...	Seedlings	2/6	—	2/-
Delphinium, Excelsior Strain ...	Seedlings	4/-	—	3/6
Delphinium, Excelsior Strain ...	Large Crowns	5/-	—	4/6
Felicia.—Blue, splendid for bed edging, blooms profusely if regularly trimmed ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Foxgloves.—Choice Mixed ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Fuchsias.—Ex pots 1/- each, posted 1/3 ...	7/6	—	6/-	—
Gazania.—Orange, large Daisy-flowers, very showy ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Geranium, Zonal.—Bedding (1/- each, posted) ...	5/-	32/6	4/-	25/-
Geranium, Zonal Paul Crampel.—Fiery scarlet, fine bedder ...	5/-	32/6	4/-	25/-
Geum, Lady Stratheden.—Fine double yellow ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Gilia coronopifolia.—Striking spike of scarlet flowers ...	4/-	—	3/6	—
Granadilla.—Edible, ex pots, 1/- each, posted 1/3 ...	9/-	—	7/6	—
Gypsophila paniculata.—Perennial, large panicles of flowers, 1/- each, posted 1/3 ...	5/-	—	4/6	—
Helenium.—Golden yellow flowers with black centre ...	3/6	—	3/-	—
Hollyhock, Chater's Double.—A fine strain ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Hydrangeas.—2/6 and 3/6 each (ex pots 2/- each, posted) ...	—	—	—	—
Impatiens.—Several varieties, mixed—out of pots ...	6/6	—	6/-	—
Iresine aureo reticulata.—Leaves gold-veined ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Iresine Herbstii.—Leaves crimson with rose veins ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Lantana salviaefolia.—Dwarf shrub of creeping habit, mauve verberna-like flowers ...	5/-	32/6	4/-	25/-
Lavandula dentata.—French Lavender ...	4/6	—	4/-	—
Nasturtium, Fireball.—Ex pots 1/- each, posted 1/3 ...	10/-	—	9/-	—
Nepeta Mussini.—(Cat Mint) ...	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Pelargoniums.—In variety ...	10/6	—	9/-	—
Pentstemon.—Large flowered, mixed ...	4/6	—	3/6	—
Petunia, California Giants.—Beautifully fringed, wonderful colours, single ...	3/6	17/6	3/-	15/-
Petunia, Gloria.—Dwarf bedder, bright rosy magenta, white throat ...	1/6	7/6	1/3	6/-
Physostegia, Rose.—Fine perennial for cut-flower ...	2/6	—	2/-	—
Polyanthus, Blackmore & Langdon's.—A superb strain ...	7/-	—	6/-	—
Salvia farinacea.—Light bright lavender ...	4/6	—	4/-	—

GENERAL LIST OF HERBACEOUS PLANTS (Continued.)

	Posted (Within the Union)		Local Prices	
	Per doz.	100	doz.	100
Salvia splendens, Bonfire. —Vivid scarlet, splendid for massing	3/-	—	2/6	—
Salvia violacea, Maroon Prince. —Very deep violet	6/-	—	5/-	—
Salvia coccinea. —Fiery scarlet, dwarf	3/-	—	2/6	—
Sedum. —Yellow-flowered, for carpeting in damp situations, per clump 1/-, posted 1/3	—	—	—	—
Shasta Daisy. —Large white flowers on long stems	2/6	12/6	2/-	10/-
Solidago. —Golden Rod	3/6	—	3/-	—
Statice latifolia. —Perennial, deep lavender-blue flowers, 1/- each, posted 1/6	9/-	—	8/-	—
Statice macrophylla. —Perennial, light blue, large clusters, very fine, 1/- each, posted 1/6	9/-	—	8/-	—
Thalictrum. —A very graceful plant for the herbaceous border, 1/- each, posted 1/6	9/-	—	8/-	—
Verbena, Auricula-eyed. —Choice mixed	3/-	15/-	2/6	12/6
Verbena, Defiance. —Scarlet	3/-	15/-	2/6	12/6
Verbena, Dark Blue. —Very effective	3/-	15/-	2/6	12/6
Verbena erinoides. —Violet, fine for carpeting	3/-	15/-	2/6	12/6

GLADIOLUS BULBS.

The following acclimatised bulbs are now ready for sending out. It is advisable to order early, but we do not recommend immediate planting unless you have experience of good results in your situation from planting at this time. We think the best time, for the Western Province, is August and September and perhaps July for the earliest situations. These bulbs can easily be stored until that time.

Assorted dozens will be supplied at the dozen rate but without labels. If you want each one labelled the price will be 1/- per doz. extra.

Postage: If you send **cash with order** we will pack free and pay the postage to any address within the Union of South Africa. When cash is not sent these charges will be added to the account.

GARDEN HYBRIDS.

	Each	doz.	100	1000
Apricot. —Bright yellow shaded apricot, large spike, strong grower	6d	2/6	17/6	157/6
Early Orange. —Orange-scarlet, strong grower	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
Early Sunrise. —Pure salmon with light salmon centre, large flower on strong stem	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
Flaming Sword. —Bright red, free flowering, strong grower	6d	2/6	17/6	157/6
Halley. —Bright orange-rose, immense spikes, large blooms	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
Leviathan. —Pure yellow	6d	3/6	25/-	—
Liebesfeuer. —Brilliant red, very large flower	6d	3/-	17/6	—
Lilac Wonder. —Pure soft lilac, a beautiful shade, large flowers on slender stems	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
L'Unique. —Clear red, very attractive	6d	2/6	17/6	—
Mrs. H. McClaren. —Golden yellow with darker lower petal	6d	4/6	32/6	315/-
Odin. —Pure salmon, a very beautiful large flowering variety, strong grower	6d	2/6	15/-	—
Pink Beauty. —Dark pink with distinct dark red blotch	6d	2/6	15/-	—
Pride of Haarlem. —Rich salmon-cherry-red shaded with fawn	9d	5/6	37/6	—
Prince of Wales. —Beautiful salmon-red shaded silvery white	6d	2/6	15/-	—
Quo Vadis. —Bright rose	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
Vesuvius. —Brilliant red	6d	3/-	20/-	—
White City. —Pure white	6d	2/6	17/6	157/6

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS.

Fire Queen. —Bright scarlet, very fine	8d	4/6	30/-	—
Krelage's Favourite. —Bright red	6d	3/6	20/-	185/-
Maiden's Blush. —Beautiful delicate pink, stems tall and slender, splendid cut-flower	6d	2/6	13/6	120/-
Midsummer Dream. —A geranium-red of great beauty; large flowers on a tall stem	8d	4/6	30/-	285/-
Orange Queen. —Beautiful orange; large flowers on a strong stem	6d	2/6	15/-	135/-
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NOTES FOR JULY.

By "EDEN."

DAHLIAS.

Many people still believe that dahlias generally will not last as cut-flower, yet when you understand how to handle them, it is surprising how well even the monster blooms can be kept fresh after they are cut.

Points to remember in this regard are: Cut the blooms when they are fully developed, this is just before the outer petals begin to fade. Cutting should be done first thing in the morning.

Place the cut blooms flat on a table or other convenient place, then thoroughly sprinkle with cold water. They may be left in this position for an hour or two.

Plunging the stems in boiling water an inch or two deep is a good plan and may be done before spreading them out on the table or just before placing them in the cases, whichever is most convenient, but remember that the stems must not be cut back further than the level at which they stood in the boiling water.

Treated in this way, especially if the water in the vases is renewed daily, many varieties will last a week or more.

To grow Dahlias successfully is a very easy matter if your soil is rich and well drained, especially if it is of a sandy nature, provided you can afford to give them lots of water. Heavy red loam if opened up by the addition of large quantities of long stable manure or decayed vegetation such as decayed leaves or other refuse, will grow remarkable dahlias, but in soils of this type you must be sure that the drainage is perfect.

Once the young plants commence to grow they can be fed regularly. The amount will depend largely upon the amount of water you can give them. The more you water the more you will have to feed. Of course the amount of water you can give will depend upon the nature of the soil and the treatment you gave it beforehand. You cannot simply water and feed as you wish because, if the plants are not growing rapidly, such treatment will most likely kill them. Your main object should be to get your soil into the condition in which the young plants will go right ahead from the start.

Tubers lifted out of the ground during last month will shortly be ready to divide before replanting in August. Here the average gardener comes up against a bit of a problem. So many of us are not quite sure what to do with the great big bunches of roots. Our friends and neighbours are all ready with such very definite advice, but unfortunately the advice is often so conflicting that we are none the wiser.

Anyway I will do my best to help you. To get the best results the plant should have one main stem, therefore the tuber from which it is to grow should have as few eyes as possible. These eyes are situated on that part of the tuber where it attaches to the dry stem of the previous season's growth.

An old chisel is a useful implement for this job as the stems are sometimes very hard. Work from the underside of the tubers. When you have cut the bunch of tubers into fairly small portions, each consisting of a tuber or two with a portion of the collar attached, go carefully over them and reject those where no eyes can be seen on the collar. The collar is the thickest part where the tuber joins the old stem.

These selected tubers may now be planted in the prepared holes which should be about two to three feet apart depending upon the variety.

Mignons may be planted nearer together, about 15 in. if used for bedding and even a little less when planted along the edge of a drive or pathway.

For those of you who would like early blooms, a good plan is to spread the tubers close together on a prepared hotbed or a heap of stable manure, covering them with about two inches of leaf-mould or sandy loam. It is not necessary to divide up the clumps until the growths appear above the ground. This procedure makes it a much simpler matter to select a nice fat shoot with a tuber attached for setting out in the garden.

Disbudding is essential if you wish to produce large blooms on straight tall stems and also to keep the plants in good shape. Disbudding is undoubtedly a biggish job and must be done right through the season, nor must it be delayed. The side buds must be removed as soon as they can be conveniently handled.

How many sets of buds you will remove will depend upon the length of stem you desire. Usually two pairs, not counting the odd bud usually found right next to the main bud. With varieties that are inclined to grow too tall, buds may be removed even lower down still.

DAHLIAS.

Not only does disbudding produce long flower stalks, but it tends to keep the plants shapely.

Although as a rule it is only the Decorative and Garden Cactus varieties which are disbudded, I think the Pompons, Collarettes and Singles are much improved by this treatment.

Do not disbud the Mignons as their beauty lies in a profusion of flowers. With them, however, the regular removal of faded flowers is essential. In fact, with all Dahlias, if the flowers are not regularly cut, the faded flowers become very unsightly unless regularly removed.

Few pests are likely to prove troublesome with dahlias. Cut worms sometimes destroy the young shoots as they appear above ground but they can be easily controlled by sprinkling a pinch of Bran poisoned with Paris Green around each plant.

Caterpillars are often troublesome amongst the flower buds, but one or two dustings, in the early morning, with Arsenate of Lead, will soon eradicate this pest.

Late in the season mildew is sometimes noticed on the older leaves, for this you should dust with sulphur if the weather is warm; in cool dull weather Bordeaux or copper-oxide-chloride used in powder form are more reliable.

Dahlias are often mulched in hot weather; that is, the surface of the soil between the plants is covered with a layer of old manure, straw or leaves. This is a splendid idea if you have suitable material. Manure is probably the best material as it provides food at the same time. The idea of the mulch is to keep the soil cool and also to conserve moisture.

By keeping the surface of the soil cool, the roots of the plants are encouraged to develop near the surface where the soil is usually in the most fertile condition.

Mulching obviates most of the surface cultivation which would be necessary without it, while less frequent watering will also be necessary.

When watering your dahlias give the plants a thorough washing occasionally to remove the dust which settles on the foliage.

APPRECIATIONS.

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DAHLIAS.

August begins the planting season for Dahlias and you should send your order now to secure tubers for setting out early as it is not likely that the supplies we have will fully meet the demand. No doubt we will import tubers again this season but they will not be available until about January. In the meantime there will also be green plants in November or December which will be listed as soon as they are ready. Dig deeply for your Dahlias and treat them well and they will not disappoint you.

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NOTES FOR RHODESIA FOR JULY.

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Flower Garden.—The weather will not be favourable for sowing out of doors for another month, so it is advisable to prepare all beds, borders, etc., and make ready to plant out in August, and later. Some hardy annuals can be planted in tins, if protection is given.

The winter pruning of roses should be completed during this month. In heavy soils a dressing of lime will benefit them, followed 3 or 4 weeks later by a dressing of horse or cow manure forked with the surface soil. Dig in some well-rotted manure around trees and shrubs, or give each plant a dressing of bone dust.

In planting out flower beds, the point of spacing is a very important one and generally much neglected. Stocks do much better if planted 18 inches apart, Pansies 12 inches and so on. In addition cultivation can be carried on, if plants are well apart, and much better, and fine blooms are the result.

Unless conditions are very favourable the planting of flowers is better deferred until August or even September. The soil is then warmed up, germination and growth are much quicker than in the winter months, and one gets encouraging results.

Vegetable Garden.—Peas are still a good vegetable to plant during this month, also onions, carrots, lettuce, radish, spinach; also in a frame or under shelter a first tomato sowing for transplanting later.

The most important work this month is to get all beds manured, trenched where necessary; all weeds and rubbish removed ready for spring planting. Next month, August, the soil will be warming up and many kinds of vegetables can be planted.

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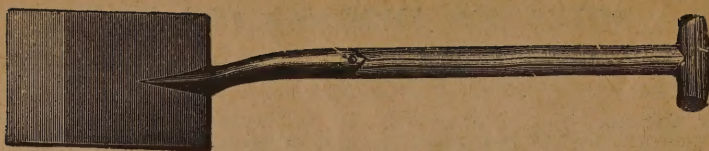
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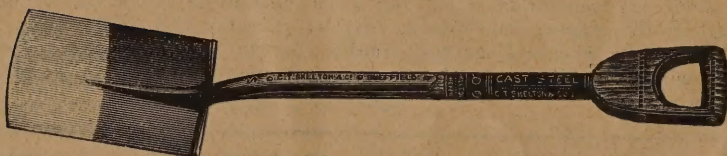
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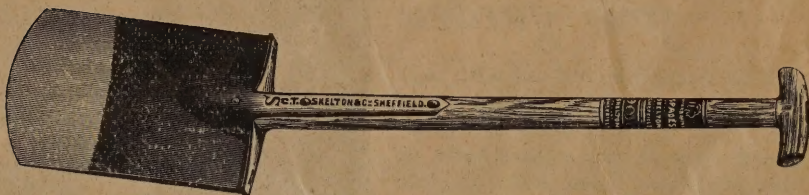
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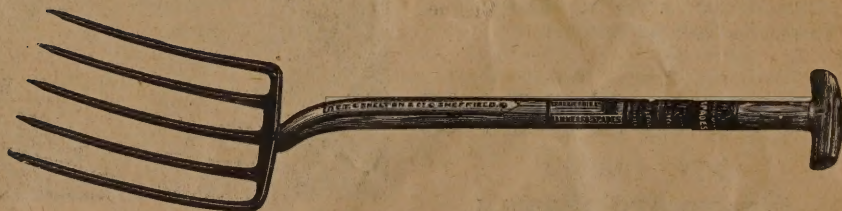
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Local Hand Picked	6d	2/3	10/-	38/6	70/-	
Local Machine Cleaned	5d	1/9	7/6	28/6	50/-	
Epicure Runner Beans	10d	3/9	16/-	60/-	110/-	
Italian Runner Beans	10d	3/9	16/-	60/-	110/-	
Kentucky Wonder Runner Beans. —Imported	1/3	5/9	27/6	100/-	—	
Victory Beans. —Best Hand Picked Seed	6d	2/3	10/-	38/6	70/-	
Machine Cleaned Seed	5d	1/9	7/6	28/6	50/-	

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	Per	1	5	25	100lb
Alderman. —Tall, darker green than Telephone	1/-	4/-	17/6	60/-
Emperor. —Strong constitution, heavy cropper	1/-	4/6	21/-	75/-
Greenfeast. —Dwarf, dark green, curved pod	9d	3/-	13/6	50/-
Laxton's Fillbasket. —Well filled curved pod	1/-	4/6	21/-	75/-
Southern Cross. —Large deep green pods	1/-	4/6	21/-	75/-
Stratagem. —The most popular dwarf variety	8d	2/6	10/6	40/-
Punt's Stomppeul. —Strong grower, good cropper	1/-	4/-	17/6	60/-
Waratah. —Very early, large pods for a dwarf	1/3	5/-	22/6	85/-
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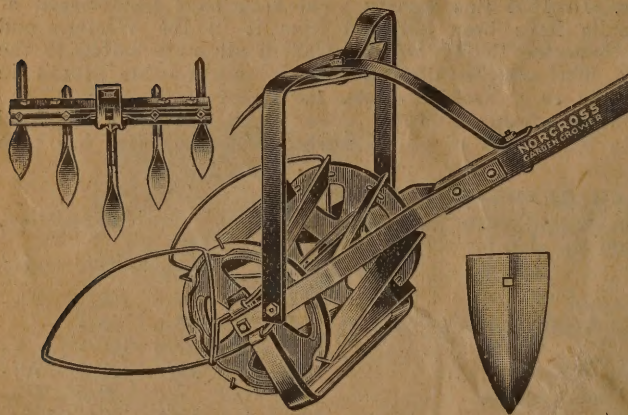
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